

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An electronic device controlling apparatus comprising:  
a communication unit for communicating with electronic devices;  
storing means for storing personal identification information and personal information in correspondence with each other, the personal information including personal preference information;

detecting means for detecting the personal identification information and a location ~~where~~ of a person identified by the detected personal identification information ~~is present~~;

searching means for searching ~~[[said]]~~ the storing means for ~~[[said]]~~ the personal information corresponding to ~~[[said]]~~ the personal identification information detected by ~~[[said]]~~ the detecting means; and

controlling means ~~for which~~, based on ~~[[said]]~~ the personal information searched for by ~~[[said]]~~ the searching means, ~~causes said~~ causing the communication unit to transmit a control signal to the electronic ~~device~~ devices installed in the detected location.

2. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling apparatus according to claim 1, wherein ~~[[said]]~~ the storing means stores the personal identification information

and personal information about a plurality of persons as well as priority information about each of ~~[[said]]~~ the plurality of persons; and

wherein ~~[[said]]~~ the controlling means transmits to ~~[[said]]~~ the electronic device ~~devices~~ the control signal based on the priority information corresponding to the personal identification information detected by ~~[[said]]~~ the detecting means.

3. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling apparatus according to claim 1, wherein ~~[[said]]~~ the controlling means determines priorities of a plurality of persons who are present in the detected location on the basis of the personal information corresponding to the personal identification information detected by ~~[[said]]~~ the detecting means about ~~[[said]]~~ the plurality of persons, ~~[[said]]~~ the controlling means further transmitting the control signal reflecting ~~[[said]]~~ the priorities to ~~[[said]]~~ the electronic ~~device~~ devices.

4. (Currently Amended) An electronic device controlling system comprising:  
an electronic device installed in each of one or a plurality of ~~rooms~~ locations;  
an electronic device controlling apparatus which is connected to ~~[[said]]~~ the electronic device installed in each of ~~[[said]]~~ the one or ~~[[said]]~~ the plurality of ~~rooms~~ locations and which is capable of controlling ~~[[said]]~~ the electronic device; and  
personal identification information transmitting means which is furnished in each of ~~[[said]]~~ the one or ~~[[said]]~~ the plurality of ~~rooms~~ locations and which transmits to ~~[[said]]~~ the electronic device controlling apparatus personal identification information

and personal information including personal preference information about a person

having entered in any one of [[said]] the one or [[said]] the plurality of ~~rooms~~ locations;

wherein [[said]] the electronic device controlling apparatus includes:

a communication unit for communicating with [[said]] the electronic devices;

a reception unit for receiving [[said]] the personal identification information from  
[[said]] the personal identification information transmitting means furnished in each of  
[[said]] the one or [[said]] the plurality of ~~rooms~~ locations;

detecting means for detecting the room from which [[said]] the personal  
identification information received by [[said]] the reception unit has been transmitted;

storing means for storing [[said]] the personal identification information and  
[[said]] the personal information in correspondence with each other;

searching means for searching [[said]] the storing means for [[said]] the personal  
information corresponding to [[said]] the personal identification information detected by  
[[said]] the reception unit; and

controlling means ~~for which~~, based on [[said]] the personal information searched  
for by [[said]] the searching means, ~~causes said~~ causing the communication unit to  
transmit a control signal to the electronic device installed in the ~~room~~ location detected  
by [[said]] the detecting means.

5. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling system according to  
claim 4, wherein [[said]] the storing means of [[said]] the electronic device controlling  
apparatus stores the personal identification information and personal information about

a plurality of persons as well as priority information about each of [[said]] the plurality of persons; and

wherein [[said]] the controlling means of [[said]] the electronic device controlling apparatus transmits to [[said]] the electronic device the control signal based on the priority information corresponding to [[said]] the personal identification information detected by [[said]] the detecting means.

6. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling system according to claim 4, wherein [[said]] the controlling means of [[said]] the electronic device controlling apparatus determines priorities of a plurality of persons who are present in the room detected by [[said]] the detecting means on the basis of the personal information corresponding to [[said]] the personal identification information acquired by [[said]] the reception unit about [[said]] the plurality of persons, [[said]] the controlling means further transmitting the control signal reflecting [[said]] the priorities to [[said]] the electronic device.

7. (Currently Amended) An electronic device controlling method comprising the steps of:

causing personal identification information transmitting means installed in each of a plurality of locations to transmit personal identification information and personal information including personal preference information about a person who is present in any one of [[said]] the plurality of locations to a controlling apparatus;

detecting the location ~~where there is present said~~ of the person identified by ~~[[said]] the~~ personal identification information received from ~~[[said]] the~~ personal identification information transmitting means;

searching for personal information corresponding to ~~[[said]] the~~ personal identification information detected in ~~[[said]] the~~ detecting step through storing means which stores ~~[[said]] the~~ personal identification information and ~~[[said]] the~~ personal information in correspondence with each other; and

~~exercising control to transmit~~ transmitting a control signal to an electronic device installed in the location detected in ~~[[said]] the~~ detecting step, ~~[[said]] the~~ control signal being based on ~~[[said]] the~~ personal information searched for in ~~[[said]] the~~ searching step.

8. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling method according to claim 7, wherein ~~[[said]] the~~ storing means stores the personal identification information and personal information about a plurality of persons as well as priority information about each of ~~[[said]] the~~ plurality of persons; and

wherein ~~[[said]] the~~ controlling step transmits to ~~[[said]] the~~ electronic device the control signal based on the priority information corresponding to ~~[[said]] the~~ personal identification information detected in ~~[[said]] the~~ detecting step.

9. (Currently Amended) The electronic device controlling method according to claim 7, wherein ~~[[said]] the~~ controlling step determines priorities of a plurality of persons who are present in the detected location on the basis of the personal

information corresponding to [[said]] the personal identification information detected in [[said]] the detecting step about [[said]] the plurality of persons, [[said]] the controlling step further transmitting the control signal reflecting [[said]] the priorities to [[said]] the electronic device.